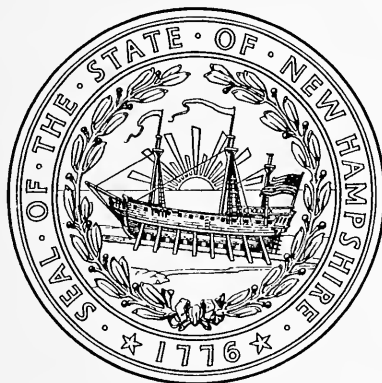


ANNUAL REPORT

**FOR THE
TOWN OF**

GROTON NEW HAMPSHIRE



**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1993**

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TOWN OFFICERS
December 31, 1993

Moderator
Geoffrey A. Gannon
1994

Selectmen
Michael K. Ethier
1994
Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr.
1994

Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Victoria Armstrong-Collins
1994

Treasurer
William Harding
1994
Administrative Assistant
Trish M. Lundberg
Road Agent
Lewis J. Albert
1994

Police Chief
Anthony Ricciotti
Health Officer
Andrew O. Lundberg
1996

Trustee of Trust Funds
Debra Lindsey
1996
Welfare Officers
Selectmen

Emergency Management Director
Tony Albert

Librarian
Joyce Tolman

Library Trustees
Aimee Harding
1994
Pamela Crosby
1994
Joyce Tolman
1996

Fire Warden
Tony Albert

Deputy Wardens
Peter Bailey
Gary Steel
Edward N. Smith

Supervisors of the Checklist
Diane M. S. Cunningham
1994
Yvonne Stevens
1998
Shirley Willey
1996

Planning Board
Stephen Lindsey
1996
Andrew O. Lundberg
1995
Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr.
Ex Officio

Selectmen's Letter

Dear Friends:

We have just successfully completed a tumultuous year for our town government. There was a large turnover in town officers as well as the major change to semi-annual billing. This method of collecting property taxes has increased the workload of the Selectmen, Administrative Assistant and the Tax Collector but has resulted in significant savings in interest on loans in anticipation of taxes and has improved cash flow. Hopefully, this change has made it easier for the taxpayers to make a smaller payment twice a year rather than a large payment in December. The utilities revaluation by Mr. George Sansoucy resulted in a significant increase in the tax base and also brought to light some discrepancy in the town line. A representative from the Town of Plymouth has contacted the Selectmen and they have proposed the possibility of having the town lines preambulated next year as a joint effort. Additionally, the state and federal governments have been working diligently at bringing up-to-date all town and city governments to meet prescribed standards. The Selectmen are currently working on the necessary changes in the way payroll is processed as well as improving conditions in the work place. The handicap ramp was installed at the Selectmen's Office and plans are being made to install ramps at the Library and the addition to the Selectmen's Office as required by law. The addition to the Selectmen's Office which includes indoor plumbing facilities is nearly complete. Mail is now delivered to locked cluster boxes located at the town offices. The Town Clerk/Tax Collector has new equipment in her office which hopefully has made her job a bit easier.

We have stood the test and have willingly worked toward upgrading the environment in which we work as well as setting up more efficient and accurate methods of getting the job done.

We wish to thank each and everyone of you for your patience over the past year as we have worked to serve you better under conditions which have required us to adjust to many changes.

Respectfully,

Selectmen, Town of Groton

Michael K. Ethier, Chairman
Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
WARRANT FOR 1994 ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE TOWN OF GROTON

To the inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the county of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at North Groton Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, next, polls to be open at eleven o'clock in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening for voting on Article 1, and meeting for action on the remaining articles in the Warrant at six o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

ARTICLE 2: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$271,536.00 for the anticipated expenses of the Town for the ensuing year as follows:

General Government	\$ 56,641.00
Public Safety	30,500.00
Highways and Streets	79,750.00
Sanitation	23,150.00
Health	3,516.00
Welfare	2,834.00
Culture and Recreation	2,251.00
Debt Service	5,000.00
Operating Transfers Out	4,500.00
Purchase of Cruiser	21,000.00
Purchase of Town Truck	23,760.00
Microfilm Town Records	500.00
Auditing Services	1,200.00
Administrative Assistant	5,000.00
Audit	2,775.00
Purchase Fire Proof File Cabinet	1,200.00
Cemetery Repairs	3,190.00
Renovations Old Selectmen's Office	<u>4,500.00</u>
Total Appropriations	<u>\$271,267.00</u>

ARTICLE 3: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$56,641.00 for General Government Expenses anticipated to be as follows:

Executive (Salaries)	\$14,500.00
Election, Registration and Vital Statistics	1,921.00
Financial Administration (Expenses)	13,000.00
Revaluation of Property	4,500.00
Legal Expense	3,000.00
Personnel Administration	4,500.00
Planning and Zoning	150.00
General Government Building	3,000.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00
Insurance	10,000.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	600.00
Other General Government (Tax mapping)	<u>500.00</u>
	<u>\$56,641.00</u>

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,500.00 for Public Safety Expenses to be as follows:

Police	\$18,500.00
Ambulance	3,400.00
Fire	7,600.00
Emergency Management	<u>1,000.00</u>
	<u>\$30,500.00</u>

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$79,750.00 for Highway Department Expenses anticipated to be as follows:

Highways and Streets	\$40,000.00
General Highway Expense	4,000.00
General Road Repair	35,000.00
Street Lighting	<u>750.00</u>
Highways, Streets and Bridges	\$79,750.00
Highway Block Grant	<u>15,538.00</u>
To Be Raised by Taxes	<u>\$64,212.00</u>

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23,150.00 for the anticipated expenses related to the operation of the solid waste disposal system as follows:

Solid Waste Disposal	\$15,250.00
Attendant	6,600.00
Metal Disposal and Miscellaneous	<u>1,300.00</u>
	<u>\$23,150.00</u>

ARTICLE 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,516.00 for the anticipated Health-related expenses to be as follows:

New Hampshire Humane Society	\$ 300.00
Pemi-Baker Youth and Family Services	170.00
Pemi-Baker Home Health	1,406.00
Speare Memorial Hospital	1,000.00
Domestic and Sexual Violence	550.00
American Red Cross	<u>90.00</u>
	<u>\$3,516.00</u>

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,834.00 for the anticipated Welfare-related expenses to be as follows:

Direct Assistance	\$2,000.00
Tri-County Community Action	378.00
Grafton County Senior Citizens	156.00
Lakes Region Community Services	<u>\$ 300.00</u>
	<u>\$2,834.00</u>

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,251.00 for the anticipated Culture and Recreation expenses to be as follows:

Bristol Community Center	\$ 651.00
Groton Free Public Library	1,500.00
Groton-Hebron Ball Park	<u>100.00</u>
	<u>\$2,251.00</u>

ARTICLE 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the anticipated interest expense.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for the Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,000.00 for the purchase, lease or rental of a new police cruiser and authorize the withdrawal of funds in the Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund established for this purpose to offset this sum. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 14: (by petition) To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$9,260.00 for the procurement and replacement of the Town truck cab and chassis. The total acquisition cost is \$23,760.00 of which \$14,500.00 will be drawn from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 15: (by petition) Shall we vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 this year and each yer thereafter to microfilm the Town records both ancient and current. This will be a nonk-elapsing account and will continue until records are brought to a current/yearly basis. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 for auditing and consulting services. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for the salary for the Administrative Assistant. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 18: (by petition) Shall we vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,775 for the initial audit by Plodzik and Sanderson for the town of Groton. The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 19: (by petition) Shall we adopt the following changes in the remuneration of the combined office of Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

A salary of \$225.00 per week and return the Town Clerk's fees to the Town Clerk pursuant to RSA 41:25 effective 3/9/84.

The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 for the purchase of a new fire proof file cabinet for the Selectmen's Office for storage of tax card files. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$3,190.00 for repairs to monuments and monument foundations at Rolfe Hill, North Groton and Union cemeteries. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$4,500.00 for renovations to the old Selectmen's Office to include offices for the Police Department and Town Clerk/Tax Collector. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 23: (by petition) Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:62 for an exemption for property tax purposes, from the assessed value of real property equipped with a solar energy system for the purpose of providing electricity and/or heating by use of photovoltaic panels, also cooling which exemptions shall be \$1,000.00. The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 24: (by petition) Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:66 for an exemption for property tax purposes from the assessed value of real property equipped with a wind-powered energy system which exemption shall be in the amount of \$1,000.00. The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 25: (by petition) Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:70 for an exemption for property tax purposes from the assessed value of real property equipped with a wood heating system which exemption shall be in the amount of \$1,000.00. The Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 26: (by petition) To see if the Town will vote to require the Selectmen to appoint the Police Chief and all Officers for a one-year term, renewable annually if the Selectmen see fit, starting within 10 days of Town Meeting 1994.

ARTICLE 27: (by petition) To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to study the feasibility of constructing a Town Highway Shed and report its findings at Town Meeting in 1995.

ARTICLE 28: (by petition) To see if the Town will vote to close the Dorchester Woods Road, pursuant to RSA 231:43, and to place bars or gates, pursuant to RSA 231:45, suitable to prohibit motor vehicles from traveling said roadway. The road known as Dorchester Woods Road would by this vote become a non-maintained road and passable for emergency vehicles and agencies, current landowners, and other persons upon permission of the Board of Selectmen who will hold keys to said bars or gates.

ARTICLE 29: To see if the Town will vote to hold the election of Town Officers the Saturday following Town meeting beginning in 1995.

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to accept any gifts.

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell by sealed bid or auction any real estate acquired by the Town through a Tax Collector's Deed.

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

A true copy of the Warrant-attest:

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF GROTON

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael K. Ethier", written over a horizontal line.

Michael K. Ethier, Chairman

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr.", written over a horizontal line.

Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
61 So. Spring St., P.O. Box 457
Concord, NH 03302-0457
(603) 271-3397

Form MS-6



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF _____ GROTON _____ N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 19 94 to December 31, 19 94 or for Fiscal Year

From _____ 19 _____ to _____ 19 _____

IMPORTANT: Please read the new RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

It requires this budget be prepared on a "gross" basis, showing all revenues and appropriations. At least one public hearing must be held on this budget.

When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

Date Michael V. Ecker
Robert L. Desmarais

SELECTMEN (PLEASE SIGN IN INK)

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	W.A. No.	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (Recommended)	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
4130	Executive	3	16,000	13,593.65	14,500	
4140	Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	3	980	746.20	2,160	
4150	Financial Administration	3/15/16	13,500	12,335.19	14,700	
4152	Revaluation of Property	3	17,000	18,657	4,500	
4153	Legal Expense	3	4,100	5,506.29	3,000	
4155	Personnel Administration	3	4,500	3,375.37	4,500	
4191	Planning and Zoning	3	150	52.79	150	
4194	General Government Building	3	4,000	3,440.05	3,000	
4195	Cemeteries	3/16	1,400	1,255.84	4,190	
4196	Insurance	3	10,000	9,317.50	10,000	
4197	Advertising and Regional Associations	3	600	544.21	600	
	Tax Mapping	3	1,500	encumber 1,000 *	500	*en-
	Administrative Assistant				5,000	cumbers
4199	Other General Government - Misc.			317.90		las
PUBLIC SAFETY						
4210	Police	4	15,315	16,618.04	18,500	yea
4215	Ambulance	4	3,360	2,282.28	3,400	
4220	Fire	4	7,600	4,092.39	7,600	
4240	Bldg. Inspection					
4290	Emergency Mgt.	4			1,000	
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)					
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS						
4312	Highways and Streets	5	40,000	44,189.73	40,000	
4313	Bridges					
4316	Street Lighting	5	600	735.62	750	
	Paving	5	35,000	30,109.96	35,000	
	General Highway Expense	5	4,000	6,788.81	4,000	
SANITATION						
4323	Solid Waste Collection					
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	6	23,060	23,051.09	23,150	
4326	Sewage Collection and Disposal		20,000	was		
	Transfer Station		Encumbered	0	20,000	encumbered
WATER DISTRIBUTION AND TREATMENT						
4332	Water Services					
4335	Water Treatment					
HEALTH						
4414	Pest Control	7	300	300	300	
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals	7	3,113	3,112.56	3,216	
WELFARE						
4442	Direct Assistance	8	2,000	835.74	2,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	8	824	824	2,834	
4445	Vendor Payments					
Sub-Totals (carry to top of page 3)			208,902	202,765	208,550	

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CULTURE AND RECREATION																																									
4520	Parks and Recreation	9	100	62.50	100																																				
4550	Library	9	1,500	1,500	1,500																																				
4583	Patriotic Purposes																																								
4589	Other Culture and Recreation	9	568	568	651																																				
CONSERVATION																																									
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources																																								
4619	Other Conservation																																								
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT																																									
DEBT SERVICE																																									
4711	Princ.-Long Term Bonds & Notes																																								
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	10	3,000	4,813.69	5,000																																				
4723	Interest on TAN																																								
CAPITAL OUTLAY																																									
4901	Land and Improvements																																								
4902	Mach., Veh., & Equip. Cruiser	13			21,000																																				
4903	Buildings -Addition Selectmen's Office		20,000	11,750	encumbered 8,250																																				
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings																																								
	Renovations Old Selectmen's Office				4,500																																				
	Fire Proof File				1,200																																				
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4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	11/12	2,000	2,000	4,500																																				
4916	To Trust and Agency Funds																																								
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS			236,070	223,460	247,001																																				
<p>HELP! We ask your assistance in the following: If you have a line item of appropriation which is made up of appropriations from more than one (1) warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total. We hope this will expedite the tax rate process by reducing the number of inquiries from this office.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Acct.</th> <th>W.A.</th> <th>Amt.</th> <th>Acct.</th> <th>W.A.</th> <th>Amt.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>4195</td> <td>3</td> <td>1,000</td> <td>4915</td> <td>11</td> <td>2,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>16</td> <td>3,190</td> <td></td> <td>12</td> <td>2,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4150</td> <td>3</td> <td>13,000</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>15</td> <td>500</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>16</td> <td>1,200</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>						Acct.	W.A.	Amt.	Acct.	W.A.	Amt.	4195	3	1,000	4915	11	2,000		16	3,190		12	2,500	4150	3	13,000					15	500					16	1,200			
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SOURCE OF REVENUE		W.A. No.	*ESTIMATED REVENUE Prior Year (omit cents)	ACTUAL REVENUE Prior Year (omit cents)	ESTIMATED REVENUE Ensuing Fiscal Year (omit cents)
Acct. No.	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Yield Taxes		11,500	16,257	16,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		16,000	17,889	10,000
	Inventory Penalties				
	LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES				
3210	Business Licenses and Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		23,000	23,042	23,000
3230	Building Permits			100	100
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		1,200	1,366	600
	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
3319	Other -				
	FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenue		2,408	2,408	2,002
3353	Highway Block Grant		14,469	14,469	15,538
3354	Water Pollution Grants				
3355	Housing and Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		900	898	900
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement - Blizzard			1,183	
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax) - Rented Equip		6,000	7,649	7,500
	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT				
3379	Intergovernmental Revenues				
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401	Income from Departments		3,000	4,206	4,000
3409	Other Charges				
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property				
3502	Interest on Investments				
3509	Other - Gifts		150	150	150
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	Special Revenue Fund				
3913	Capital Projects Fund				
3914	Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer -				
	Water -				
	Electric -				
3915	Capital Reserve Fund - cruiser		3,500	0	3,500
3916	Trust and Agency Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bonds				
General Fund Balance		For Municipal Use			
Unreserved Fund Balance		< \$ >	xxx	xxx	xxx
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus		< \$ >			
Fund Balance to be Retained		\$	xxx	xxx	xxx
Fund Balance Remaining to Reduce Taxes		\$			
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			82,127	89,617	83,290
* Enter in this column the numbers which were revised and approved by DRA and which appear on the MS-4 form.					
Total Appropriations			247,001		
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes			83,290		
Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			163,711		
BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF _____, N.H.					

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
1993 Tax Rate Calculation

Town of: GROTON

Appropriations	236,070
Less: Revenues	84,604
Less: Shared Revenue	2,002
Add: Overlay	31,000
War Service Credits	<u>2,850</u>

Net Town Appropriation	183,314
Special Adjustment	<u>0</u>

Approved Town Tax Effort	183,314	
Municipal Tax Rate		4.72

School Portion

Due to Local School	0
Due to Regional School	422,691
Less: Shared Revenue	<u>2,333</u>

Net School Appropriation	420,358
Special Adjustment	<u>0</u>

Approved School Tax Effort	420,358	
School Tax Rate		10.84

County Portion

Due to County	40,559
Less: Shared Revenue	<u>397</u>

Net County Appropriation	40,162
Special Adjustment	<u>0</u>

Approved County Tax Effort	<u>1.04</u>
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COMBINED TAX RATE	<u>16.60</u>
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Total Property Taxes Assessed	643,834
Less: War Service Credits	(2,850)
Add: Village District Commitment	<u>0</u>

TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT	<u>640,984</u>
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Proof of Rate

Net Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate	Assessment
38,785,158	16.60	643,834

1994 Bond Requirement

Treasurer: 46,000	Tax Collector: 44,000
Town Clerk: 7,000	Trustee of Trust Funds: 8,000

REPORT FROM THE TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

This has been a year with many changes within this office. The beginning was Jean Griffin's resignation as Town Clerk/Tax Collector after five years of service to our town. We wish her well with a deserved retirement.

This was also the first year for semi-annual billing of property taxes. There were many adjustments to be made, for this office as well as on your part. Hopefully, we have resolved the problems as we all have adjusted to this new system.

Being the first item for me to tackle, the semi-annual billing was a priority. This problem was addressed head-on with setting up a new bookkeeping system that could handle the added book work. All accounts have been loaded on disk on an individual basis. All this information is available when we can afford to automate our office.

The second priority was to start upgrading the office equipment to meet the demands of the added book work and record keeping and bringing everything up-to-date as is recommended by the Department of Revenue Administration, the State of New Hampshire and the Federal Government. To this end, I wish to thank Trish Lundberg for exchanging the word processor in Selectmen's Office for the Town Clerk's old typewriter. A new business function calculator was added and the level of frustration has been lowered. Jean's telephone was replaced with a combination phone and answering machine. This has made an enormous difference for the people who need to get in touch with the Town offices. Both were purchased for less than \$120.00.

It was my good fortune to get dump stickers at a considerable savings to the Town. Although not everyone is happy with this, the overall reaction has been mild surprise to shock that they are free. Thank your Selectmen.

It has been a quick few months attending all the available workshops put on by the State, the Tax Collector's Association, the Town Clerk's Association and their conventions. Because I chose only to attend the informative sessions and not linger at the Town's expense, it was possible for me to attend the Certification Program put on at Plymouth State College, which in the future will be mandatory. This is a four-year program conducted one week during the summer - an outstanding session.

I want to thank all the wonderful people who have been in to offer help and advice; it was greatly appreciated. You have helped make what could have been a difficult job both fun and rewarding. Thank you all.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Armstrong-Collins
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1993 - December 31, 1993

1993 Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$23,041.84
1993 Transfer Station Stickers	688.00
1993 Dog Licenses	503.00
1993 Fines	15.00
1993 Filing Fees	7.00
Vital Statistics Fees	73.00
UCC Filing Fees	80.00
Copier Fees/Miscellaneous	61.40
Bad Check Charges	<u>4.00</u>

Total Revenue From Town Clerk	<u>\$24,473.24</u>
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TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Period January 1, 1993 to December 31, 1993

	Levy for Year of This Report 1993	PRIOR LEVIES 1992 Prior
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Uncollected Taxes-Beginning:		
Property Taxes		\$149,707.05
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes		306.78
Special Assessment		
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$645,439.41	
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes	16,368.15	
Special Assessment		
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes	370.53	
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Tax		
Interest Collected on		
Delinquent Taxes	511.35	3,775.37
Miscellaneous Fees	105.54	
Penalties Collected		
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TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$662,794.98</u>	<u>\$157,386.94</u>
Remitted to Treasurer During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$530,424.43	\$147,601.40
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes	16,256.52	306.78
Utilities		
Special Assessment		
Interest	511.35	3,775.37
Penalties		
Miscellaneous Fees	105.54	
Discounts Allowed		

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Abatements:		
Property Taxes	2,625.51	5,665.32
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Taxes		
Utilities		

Uncollected Taxes, End of Year:		
Property Taxes	112,760.00	
Resident Taxes		
Land Use Change Tax		
Yield Tax	111.63	
Utilities		
Unreconciled Difference		38.07
Special Assessment		
Prepaid 1994	<u>121.99</u>	
 TOTAL CREDITS	 <u>\$662,794.98</u>	 <u>\$157,386.94</u>

	Last Year's Levy 1992	PRIOR LEVIES 1991 1990	
Redeemed Liens - Beginning	\$42,582.87	\$ 9,851.19	
Liens Executed During Year	\$83,890.61		
Interest Collected After Lien	9,603.59	3,999.39	
Overpayments			
 TOTAL DEBITS	 <u>\$83,890.61</u>	 <u>\$52,186.46</u>	 <u>\$13,850.58</u>
Remittance to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$43,959.02	\$23,383.90	\$ 9,851.19
Interest and Costs		9,603.59	3,999.39
Abatements	1,728.22	1,122.84	
Liens Deeded to Municipality			
Unreconciled Difference		13.04	
Unredeemed Liens - End	38,203.37	18,063.09	
 TOTAL CREDITS	 <u>\$83,890.61</u>	 <u>52,186.46</u>	 <u>\$13,850.58</u>

TREASURER'S REPORT

V. A. Collins, Tax Collector:

1992 Property Tax	\$147,601.40
1992 Property Tax Interest	3,705.32
1993 Property Tax	529,937.91
1993 Property Tax Interest	467.27
Taxes Redeemed	77,194.11
Taxes Redeemed Interest	13,602.46
1993 Yield Tax	16,256.51
1993 Yield Tax Interest	44.08
Overpayment of Taxes	370.53
Bad Check Charges	52.00
1992 Yield Tax	306.80
1992 Yield Tax Interest	52.05
Prior Year Yield Tax Interest	18.00
1993 Miscellaneous Charges	53.54
Prepayments	<u>121.93</u>

Total Revenue From Tax Collector \$789,783.91

V. A. Collins, Town Clerk:

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$23,041.84
Dog Licenses	503.00
Dump Stickers	688.00
Filing Fees (UCC)	80.00
Miscellaneous/Copier Fees	61.40
Bad Check Charges	4.00
Marriage Licenses	73.00
Dog Fines	15.00
Filing Fees	<u>7.00</u>

Total Revenue From Town Clerk \$24,473.24

State of New Hampshire:

Rented Equipment	\$ 7,648.70
Block Grants	14,468.56
Blizzard Monies Received	1,183.00
Forest Land Reimbursement	897.60
Refunds	100.00
Revenue Sharing	<u>7,249.04</u>

Total Revenue State of New Hampshire \$31,546.90

Pemigewasset National Bank:

Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	<u>\$190,000.00</u>
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Total Loans \$190,000.00

Gifts:

Longyear Foundation (Mary Baker Eddie House)	\$100.00
Longyear Foundation (to Police Department)	<u>50.00</u>

Total Revenue From Gifts \$150.00

Health Officer:

Sewage Permits \$5.00

Total Revenue From Health Officer \$5.00

Police Department:

Plymouth District Court \$110.40

Parking Fines 125.00

Reports and Pictures 45.00

Police Details 680.00

Total Revenue From Police Department \$960.40

Selectmen and Treasurer:

Overpayment 1993 Audit \$ 749.00

NHMA Insurance dividend 1,107.52

Building Permits 100.00

Pistol Permits 74.00

Current Use Applications 80.00

IRS Return 248.38

IRS Return Interest Earned 12.06

Workmen's Compensation Return 5,828.09

Overpayment Workmen's Compensation 847.97

Workmen's Compensation Investment Income \$ 1,879.28

Total Revenue Selectmen and Treasurer \$10,926.27

GRAND TOTAL REVENUE 1993 \$1,047,865.72

Plus: Balance 1/1/93 65,468.88

Less: Expenditures 1,081,912.15

1/1/93 \$ 31,422.45

1993 DETAILED SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Executive (Town Officers' Salaries)

Anita Andrews	\$ 250.00
Andrew O. Lundberg	25.00
Jean W. Griffin	3,101.99
Michael Ethier	1,500.00
Norman Blanchette	550.00
Laurence C. Pilvelis	500.00
William Harding	621.66
Victoria Armstrong-Collins	6,400.00
Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr.	<u>600.00</u>

\$13,593.65

Election and Registration:

White Mountain Publishers	33.20
Beatrice Fligg	75.00
Theo Drolet	75.00
Mae Blake	75.00
Victoria Armstrong-Collins	50.00
Andrew O. Lundberg	25.00
Geoffrey Gannon	62.00
Nelda Frisch	111.00
Shirley Willey	86.00
Diane M. S. Cunningham	<u>154.00</u>

\$746.20

Financial Administration:

Jean W. Griffin	\$2,933.50
Laurence C. Pilvelis (Reimbursement supplies, telephone)	475.18
Trish M. Lundberg (Salary, Reimbursement Telephone, Supplies, Town Report)	2,172.03
White Mountain Publishers (Advertising)	304.75
Homestead Press (Forms TC/TC)	158.68
New England Telephone	531.90
Carol A. Elliott, Registry of Deeds	261.80
Dick Clancy (Searches for Tax Lien)	978.00
New Hampshire State Library	1.20
Clay's Office Products	254.53
Campton Printing and Design (Ballots)	58.70
Town and Country Copies (Town Report)	205.00
East Hebron, Postmaster	457.50
Scott Golden (Overpayment Returned)	14.00
The Pennysaver	245.15
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	239.69
Grafton County Probate	5.00
Shaker Inn (Town Clerk Meeting)	17.00
NH Town and City Clerks Association	106.00
Tax Collectors Association	170.00
V. A. Collins (Reimbursement, Expenses)	302.94
Postmaster, Plymouth	48.00

Financial Administration (continued):

Plymouth District Court (Small Claim)	25.00
Butterworth Legal Publishers (RSA's)	1,061.06
New Hampshire Municipal Association (booklet)	15.00
Webster and Spencer	100.00
Wheeler and Clark (Dog Tags)	37.19
Petty Cash, Town Clerk/Tax Collector	21.14
Copy Solutions	24.60
Loring, Short and Harmon (Payroll Sheets)	10.00
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative	55.00
AT&T	2.01
Ide's	76.53
A. M. Rand	6.75
MacLean Hunter Market Reports	22.00
New Hampshire Government Finance Officers Association	75.00
James Ashworth (Computer Service)	804.13
Trend	49.23
B. A. Barnard	<u>10.00</u>

\$12,335.19

Revaluation of Property:

Ralph J. Cutting, Assessor	<u>\$5,557.00</u>
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Utilities Revaluation:

George E. Sansoucy, P.E.	\$13,000.00
B. A. Barnard (Copy tax maps)	<u>100.00</u>

\$13,100.00

Legal Expense:

Daniel D. Crean, Esquire	\$2,801.46
Plymouth Court Jurisdictional Association	1,504.83
Newfound Area School District	<u>1,200.00</u>

\$5,506.29

Personnel Administration:

Town's Share Social Security and Medicare	<u>\$3,375.37</u>
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Planning Board:

Carol Elliott, Registry of Deed	\$40.79
Trish M. Lundberg (Postage reimbursement)	<u>12.00</u>

\$52.79

General Government Building:

Laurence C. Pilvelis	\$ 10.56
Yeaton Oil Co.	1,138.26
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative	829.05
Jeanne Blanchette (Cleaning Services)	10.00
Norman Blanchette (Ramp Reimbursement)	585.46
New England Telephone	51.72
King Forest Industries (Gravel Town House)	500.00
B. A. Barnard (Septic Design)	<u>315.00</u>
	<u>\$3,440.05</u>

Cemeteries:

Lewis Albert (Mowing)	\$ 240.00
Maurice Drolet (Mowing)	224.00
Dick Clancy (Mowing)	144.00
Bruning Farmer's Exchange (Repair mowers)	91.84
TLC Tree and Crane Service (Chop Brush Wall)	90.00
King Forest Industries (Gravel Parking Lot)	<u>466.00</u>
	<u>\$1,255.84</u>

Insurance:

Cotsiba's (Bonding)	\$ 234.50
Compensation Funds of NH	3,897.00
NHMA Property Liability Insurance	<u>5,186.00</u>
	<u>\$9,317.50</u>

Advertising and Regional Associations:

New Hampshire Municipal Association	\$500.00
New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials	20.00
New Hampshire Recovery Association	<u>24.21</u>
	<u>\$544.21</u>

Tax Mapping:

Donald Dollard	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
(Encumbered \$1,500.00)	

Other General Government:

Miscellaneous (Checks, bad checks, safety deposit box, etc.)	<u>\$317.90</u>
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Police Department:

Town of Alexandria	\$ 50.14
Chief Harold T. Reilly (Wages & Expenses)	738.50
Sue Ann Williamson (Wages & Expenses)	633.43
Chief Anthony Ricciotti (Wages & Expenses)	6,213.02
Officer William White (Wages)	140.50
Shortt's Garage	581.55
Perfecta Camera	182.56
New England Telephone	1,058.16
Department of Safety	20.00
Grafton County Sheriff	1,437.00
State of NH, Depart. of Transportation (fuel)	512.35
Postmaster, Groton	40.25
Treasurer, State of NH	259.87
MPH Industries	99.25
Officer Roberta Beaudry	53.00
Lawson's	41.45
Clay's Office Products	68.29
Wilson Tire	61.59
Lily Pond Communications	240.00
John Ricciotti	25.67
Law and Order	20.00
Butterworth Legal Publishers	68.06
Neptune, Inc.	567.00
NHCOP	50.00
Skip's Gun Shop	183.62
Ossipee Mountain Electronics	125.00
Frank Tolman	546.24
Officer William Harding (Wages)	1,884.00
A. J. Patch Co.	310.00
Town of Hebron (Detail)	210.00
Federal Surplus Property	89.00
Allison's Graphics	94.68
Big A	2.58
AT&T	<u>11.28</u>
	<u>\$16,618.04</u>

Ambulance:

Town of Plymouth	\$2,150.28
Town of Rumney	<u>132.00</u>
	<u>\$2,282.28</u>

Fire Department:

Hebron Fire Department	\$1,235.82
Rumney Fire Department	1,458.00
(Encumbered 3,573.00 Hebron/Rumney)	
Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid	<u>1,398.57</u>
	<u>\$4,092.39</u>

Highways and Streets:

Winter Maintenance:

Lewis Albert (wages and rented equipment)	\$ 5,415.00
Maurice Drolet (wages)	3,421.00
Mark Madden (wages)	3,600.00
John Kolomick (wages)	104.00
AKZO (salt)	8,652.39
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative	566.53
Yeaton Oil	1,158.74
TLC Tree and Crane Service (Snow Removal, Blizzard included)	1,764.50
Mike Ethier Excavating (Snow Removal, Blizzard included)	1,463.00
Lakeside Construction (Trucking)	400.00
A. M. Rand	<u>34.50</u>
	\$26,579.66

Summer Maintenance:

Lewis Albert	\$ 4,622.50
Maurice Drolet	916.00
Mike Ethier Excavating	2,755.00
Lakeside Construction	1,435.00
J. C. Parris	280.00
New Hampshire Electric Cooperative	42.38
John Kolomick	24.00
TLC Tree and Crane Service	1,350.00
Dick Clancy	216.00
Blodgett Septic Service (Mowing Roadways)	570.00
King Forest Industries (Gravel Products)	1,851.50
Arthur Whitcomb (Gravel Products)	1,937.60
Big A	15.13
Yeaton Oil	203.40
Andrew O. Lundberg (Wages, Bridge Repair)	152.00
R. P. Williams (Supplies, Bridge Repair)	225.38
James Rego (Wages)	32.00
Mark Madden (Wages)	32.00
Burtco (culverts)	<u>950.18</u>
	\$17,610.07

Total Winter and Summer Maintenance \$44,189.73

General Highway Expense:

Wilson Tire (Tires and Tubes)	\$1,246.97
Big A Plymouth (Parts, Supplies)	231.64
M&M Equipment, Inc. (Equipment Repair)	3,224.96
Dean H. Yeaton, Inc. (Equipment Repair)	2,042.84
Doug's Saw Shop	<u>42.40</u>
	<u>\$6,788.81</u>

General Road Repair:

Lakeside Construction (Trucking)	\$ 280.00
Mike Ethier Excavating	747.50
Burteo (Culverts)	443.83
King Forest Industries, Inc. (Gravel)	483.00
TLC Tree and Crane Service	750.00
Lewis Albert (Wages)	435.00
Dick Clancy (Wages)	72.00
Maurice Drolet (Wages)	32.00
Pike	<u>26,866.63</u>
	<u>\$30,109.96</u>

Street Lighting:

New Hampshire Electric Cooperative	<u>\$735.62</u>
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Solid Waste Disposal:

Paul Adams (Wages)	\$4,665.00
Laurence Pilvelis (Reimbursement Expenses)	114.35
The Pennysaver	57.00
White Mountain Publishing	33.20
Salvation Disposal	15,938.04
Mike Ethier Excavating	50.00
Andrew O. Lundberg, (Wages)	1,582.50
TLC Tree and Crane Service	395.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire (Fee)	50.00
John Kolomick	20.00
David Norman	20.00
Gary Follansbee (Metal Disposal)	150.00
Lewis Albert	20.00
Maurice Drolet	<u>16.00</u>

(Encumbered \$20,000) \$23,111.09

Pest Control:

New Hampshire Humane Society	\$ 300.00
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Health Agencies and Hospitals:

Pemi-Baker Home Health	1,352.56
Task Force Against Domestic and Sexual Violence	500.00
Pemi-Baker Youth and Family Services	170.00
Speare Memorial Hospital	1,000.00
American Red Cross	<u>90.00</u>
	<u>\$3,412.56</u>

Welfare:

Direct Assistance \$ 835.74

Intergovernmental Welfare Payments:

Grafton County Senior Citizens 156.00

Tri-Country Community Action 368.00

Lakes Region Community Services Council 300.00

\$1,659.74

Culture and Recreation:

Bristol Community Center \$ 568.00

Groton Free Public Library 1,500.00

Hebron-Groton Ball Field 62.50

\$2,130.50

Newfound Area School District: \$542,960.00

Internal Revenue Service/Pemi: \$8,060.20

Abatelements: \$2,545.98

Tax Liens: \$83,498.63

Addition to Selectmen's Office:

Blanchette Construction \$ 9,250.00

Mike Ethier Excavating 2,500.00

(Encumbered \$8,250.00) \$11,750.00

County Tax: \$40,559.00

Loans in Anticipation of Taxes (TAN): \$190,000.00

Interest Expense on TAN: \$4,813.69

Capital Outlay:

Highway Truck Fund \$2,000.00

TOTAL \$1,091,460.21

Less Actual
Withholding 6,718.87

GRAND TOTAL \$1,084,741.34

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTIES

<u>Map, Lot</u>	<u>Description</u>
2-21	Church Lot
2-74&70	Union Cemetery
3-12	Non-Taxable
3-18	Non-Taxable
5-19	Abutting Selectmen's Office
5-20	Selectmen's Office
5-35	Police Department Shed
6-6	Transfer Station
7-11A	Non-Taxable
7-11	Town House
9-9	Tax Deeded Property
10-52	Non-Taxable
10-53	Tax Deeded Property

GROTON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

The library has again had a few changes this year. We want to thank Jean Griffin who retired this year for doing so much to keep the library active. Thanks to everyone in town for their support and donations to the library. The library was very active even though we had to close for a while due to construction on the building. Please come in and visit. The library hours are posted and if there are any suggestions about changes in the hours to make it more convenient for people to get in, please feel free to let us know. In addition to a number of new books, we also have available 40 VCR tapes, different each month, to lend.

Record of Services:

Adult	139
Junior	282
Easy	250
Magazines	263
VCR	5
VCR Tapes	208
Paperback Books	<u>171</u>
Total	<u>1,318</u>

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Joyce Tolman
Aimee Harding
Pamela Crosby

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Payments January 1, 1993 - December 31, 1993

Jean W. Griffin, Services	\$ 644.00	
Joyce Tolman, Services	560.00	
Office Supplies	9.51	
Bank Service Charges	13.00	
Change for Book and Bake Sale	50.00	
<u>Children's Parties:</u>		
Halloween and Christmas	129.97	
<u>Dues:</u>		
New Hampshire Library Trustee Assoc.	20.00	
<u>Magazine Subscriptions:</u>		
Reminisce	12.98	
<u>Furniture Purchased:</u>		
Plymouth State College Surplus (Desk for Typewriter)	15.00	
Total Expenses	<u>\$1,454.46</u>	
Balance on Hand January 1, 1993	\$ 236.73	
Plus: Town Appropriation	1,500.00	
Reimbursement Change for Book and Bake Sale	50.00	
Miscellaneous Income and Reimbursements	<u>69.75</u>	\$1,996.48
Less: Expenses		<u>1,454.46</u>
Balance on Hand December 31, 1993		<u>\$ 542.02</u>

Savings Account #2013910

Savings Account Balance January 1, 1993	\$321.36	
Plus: Interest 1/1/93-12/31/93	5.53	
<u>Deposits:</u>		
Proceeds Book and Bake Sale	55.40	
Proceeds Town Meeting Food Sale	39.30	
Less: Transfer to Library Checking	(140.00)	
S.C.S.E.P. C.A.P. Lunch	(60.00)	
Paperback Books Purchased	<u>(50.00)</u>	
Savings Account Balance December 31, 1993	<u>\$171.59</u>	

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

Summary of Expenses:

Postage	\$12.00
Registry of Deeds	<u>40.79</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$52.79</u>

Fellow Citizens:

This past year the Planning Board granted one resident subdivision creating one new lot.

Respectfully submitted,

THE PLANNING BOARD

Andrew O. Lundberg, Chairman
Stephen Lindsey, Secretary
Robert L. Desrosiers, Sr., Ex-Officio

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

Fellow Citizens:

This past year the Health Officer processed and monitored five new applications and completed documentation of two construction approvals. Two new septic systems have been approved for operation in 1993.

In addition, the Health Officer has taken action against the transfer of an illegal sewage system as well as as worked with the Road Agent in disposing of animal remains found in North Groton.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew O. Lundberg
Health Officer

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The past year has been the busiest year this department has ever seen. We could not have stayed as close to the budget without the cooperation and devotion of the officers and the secretary. I would like to express my sincere thanks to these devoted people for their dedication and professionalism this past year. The number of hours donated by these members totals over 500 hours - saving the town thousands of dollars.

I also wish to thank the people of the Town of Groton for their support this past year. The positive comments toward the Police Department were numerous from the residents and outside agencies around the State; the negative comments were few.

As Chief of the Groton Police Department, I will strive to continue to improve the effectiveness and professionalism of the department. Again, thank you all.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Anthony R. Ricciotti
Officer William Harding
Officer William White

SUMMARY OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

In 1993, the Groton Police Department received over 762 phone calls (total of calls on Dispatch, Chief and Officers' phones). Below is a partial list of calls for service the department responded to:

<u>Nature/Type of Incident</u>	<u>Number of Incidents</u>
Motor Vehicle Accidents	6
Alarms	5
Arson/Fire	9
Assaults/Sexual Assaults	3
Burglary	0
Civil Matters	9
Criminal Mischief	8
Criminal Trespass	6
Criminal Threat	2
Cruelty to Animals	4
Child Abuse	3
Disturbance/Persons	15
Disturbance/Vehicles	5
Dogs/Animals	24
Domestic Violence	3
House Checks	26
Juvenile Matters	4
Lost Property	2
Missing Persons	4
Illegal Dumping	3
Notifications/Messages	4
Thefts	9
Shooting Complaints	8
Warrants	1
Motor Vehicle Warnings (Written and Verbal)*	176
Motor Vehicle Summonses Issued*	61
Motor Vehicle Parking Tickets Issued*	14
General Incidents	16
Camper Related	18
Public Drinking Complaints	21
Mutual Aid	6
Calls for Information/Investigation (outside), Miscellaneous	<u>538</u>
Total Number of Calls	<u>762</u>

*Note: Not included in total number of calls.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION



Report of Trust and Capital Reserve Funds

City/Town GROTON

For the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 19 93

or

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 19 _____

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date February 16 19 94

Debra E. Lindsey

Trustees of Trust Funds

(Please sign in ink and also print/type clearly)

When To File: (R.S.A. 21-J:18)

1. For Towns reporting on a calendar year basis, this report must be on file on or before March 1st.
2. For Towns reporting on an optional fiscal year basis (FY ending June 30), this report must be filed on or before September 1st.

Where To File:

ONE COPY TO:
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
61 SOUTH SPRING STREET — P.O. BOX 457
CONCORD, N.H. 03302-0457

ONE COPY TO:
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
CHARITABLE TRUST DIVISION
STATE HOUSE ANNEX
CONCORD, N.H. 03301-6397

Report of The Trust Funds of The City or Town of GROTON

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(June 30, 19 _____)

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REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

During Calendar Year 1993, the State of New Hampshire experienced an average number of wildfires. The three leading causes of these wildfires were campfires left unattended, unsupervised children and debris fires that escaped control. All of these fires are preventable, but ONLY with your help!

Please help your town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. New Hampshire State Law (RSA 224:27 II) requires that, "No person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire or burn or cause to be burned any material in the open, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done."

Violations of RSA 224:27 II and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$1,000 and/or a year in jail and you are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

The State of New Hampshire, Division of Forests and Lands assisted many towns in wildland fire suppression during 1993 and participated in many fire prevention programs. This year, the nation is celebrating Smokey Bear's 50th anniversary. The State of New Hampshire Forest Protection Bureau will be working with many communities to spread the first prevention message - "Remember...Only YOU can prevent forest fires." Fire prevention is the most cost effective fire suppression tool. Please be careful around fires and help us and our communities have a fire safe year.

"REMEMBER...SMOKEY HAS FOR FIFTY YEARS!"

FOREST FIRE STATISTICS - 1993

	<u>STATE</u>	<u>DISTRICT</u>	TOWN OF GROTON
Number of Fires	545	15	
Acres Burned	224	12.8	

John Q. Ricard, Forest Ranger
Tony Albert, Forest Fire Warden

VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1993

The following has been recorded by the Town Clerk for Groton, New Hampshire:

Births:

Jacob Walter Lundberg was born in Plymouth on March 18, 1993. Parents are Andrew and Trish Lundberg of North Groton Road.

Rebecca Ann McKinley was born in Lebanon on August 13, 1993. Parents are Brian and Teresa McKinley of North Groton Road.

Steven Anthony Kuligoski was born in Plymouth on September 26, 1993. Parents are Steven and Janet Kuligoski of North Groton Road.

Congratulations to our new parents.

Marriages:

May 22, 1993, Marshall Henry French and Melissa Jeanne Aube, both of Groton, were married by Rev. John M. Fischer of Hebron.

July 18, 1993, Brian Joseph Campbell and Lisa Anne Richardson, both of Groton, were married by Rosalee Downing of Plymouth.

September 25, 1993, Curtis R. Mooney of East Hebron and Jannie Marie Martell of Groton were married by Rev. John M. Fischer of Hebron.

Many happy returns newly weds.

Deaths:

William B. Wadsworth of North Groton Road. Retired professor passed on May 16, 1993, Speare Memorial Hospital, Plymouth.

Alice Mae Norman of Sculptured Rocks Road. Homemaker passed on August 18, 1993, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center.

A great loss to all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Armstrong-Collins
Town Clerk

ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF GROTON

Since April 1, 1985 the Town of Groton has been a member of the Lakes Region Mutual Fire Aid Association. This means that Lakes Region Dispatch Center is handling all calls for **FIRE** and **MEDICAL EMERGENCY (Ambulance)** and dispatching the proper emergency service for your area of town.

If you are reporting a **FIRE, ACCIDENT** or **MEDICAL EMERGENCY** **CALL 524-1545** (in the 786 exchange call 1-524-1545). *This is the fastest way for you to get the help you need when you need it!*

IN THE
744
EXCHANGE:

IN THE
786
EXCHANGE:

**FIRE OR EMERGENCY
AMBULANCE**

524-1545

**FIRE OR EMERGENCY
AMBULANCE**

1-524-1545

GROTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

744-3703

OR

SHERIFF

1-800-564-6911

